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Please cancel claims 1-3 and add new claims 4-31 as follows:

**New Claims:**

4. A thermally conductive structure, comprising:

a layer of adhesive having a pair of opposing surfaces, the opposing surfaces being a first opposing surface and a second opposing surface, the first and second surfaces being spaced from one another along a direction defined as a vertical direction;

a plurality of flocked, thermally conductive fibers embedded in the adhesive, the fibers having first portions which extend upwardly out of